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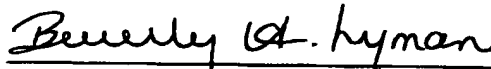
In the above-referenced application, applicants elect with traverse the group of a method of diagnostic imaging, and the following species wherein W_1 and W_2 are $-CR^{10}R^{11}$; Y_1 , Y_2 , Z_1 , and Z_2 are $-(CH_2)_a-CONH-Bm$; X_1 and X_2 are nitrogen; K_1 and K_2 are $-CH_2$; R_{19} to R_{31} are hydrogen; R_{10} and R_{11} are $-C(CH_3)_2$; A_1 is a single bond; and A_1 , B_1 , C_1 , and D_1 , form a six membered carbocyclic ring.

Applicants know of no fee due with this submission. However, if any fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account 23-3000.

The Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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